(e) whether it is proposed to be connected with Bhubaneswar and Rourkela?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Expansion of Bagdogra Airport

2866. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state.

(a) whether Government have any proposal for the improvement and expansion of Bagdogra Airport in Darjeeling;

(b) if so what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The National Airports Authority has a plan to extend and modify the existing terminal building in the 8th Five Year Plan subject to availability of land and resources.

(c) Does not arise.

Development of tourism in West Bengal

2867. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state.

(a) what was the total amount sanctioned by the Central Government for the development of tourism in West Bengal during the last five years; and

(b) what were the names and details of the schemes in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) The total amount sanctioned during the last five years (1986-87 to 1990-91) was Rs. 633.18 lakhs.

(b) The details are as under:—

—Two Yatri Niwases

—Two Yatrikas

—Wayside facilities at three locations

—Tourist lodges/accommodation establishments at six places

—Three Launches/Cruise Vessels

The other facilities include the development of trekking, provision of water-sports equipment, tented accommodation and publicity support.

Officers Deputed by Air India to Study the Privatisation of British Airways

2868. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state.

(a) whether Air India has deputed some senior Officers to study the privatisation of the British Airways to London, recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what is the total expenditure incurred in foreign exchange on their study;

(d) what are the salient features of the Report submitted by them; and

(e) what is his Ministry's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Supreme Court Directive in Air India Case

2869. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state.

(a) whether his attention has been invited to the news item captioned "SC. directive in AI case—Promotions liable to review" appearing in the Indian Express, New Delhi of the 14th January, 1992;

(b) if so, whether his Ministry/Air India has studied the implications of the Supreme Court judgement referred to therein;

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto;